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1. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

2. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Gary H. Monka on July 02, 2008 to amend claims 6, 16, 19, and 28.

3. Amend claims 6, 16, 19, and 28 as stated below:

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 ~~2~~, wherein the policy filtering is based on information in a packet header.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11 ~~42~~, wherein the policy filtering is based on information in a packet header.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11 ~~42~~, wherein the service network is operated by a different service provider than the packet-switched network.

28. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 21 ~~22~~, wherein the service network is operated by a different service provider than the packet-switched

regional access network.

4. Pursuant to MPEP 606.01, the title has been changed to read:

-- A SYSTEM USING POLICY FILTER DECISION TO MAP DATA TRAFFIC  
TO VIRTUAL NETWORKS FOR FORWARDING THE TRAFFIC IN A  
REGIONAL ACCESS NETWORK --

5. The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant: Applicant will submit formal drawing of Fig. 1 that includes -- PRIOR ART -- legend. In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Le Luu whose telephone number is 571-272-3884. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00am - 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rupal Dharia can be reached on 571-272-3880. The fax phone number for

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the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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